

Gainesville High School Advisory Council  
Minutes October 1, 2018

**Members in Attendance**

David Shelnutt  
Mark Rush  
Keith Watts  
Tara Montgomery  
David Fields  
Katie Rohan  
Lisa McLeod  
Stephen Bauer  
Florida Bridgewater-Alford  
Linda Lewis

**Call to Order**

Keith Watts called the meeting to order at 5:30pm.

**Approval of Minutes**

After reviewing the minutes from the September meeting, it was noted nothing was written regarding the request from Sarah Shepherd for the Drama department. It also was noted that the September meeting adjourned closer to 7:00 pm. Katie Rohan will amend the minutes to reflect the request and the correct time. Keith Watts made a motion to approve the minutes with the amended changes, Mark Rush seconded the motion and the motion passed.

**Financial Report**

The Financial Report was passed out and reviewed by Mr. Shelnutt. Our current balance in (ADS) is \$194,199.86; balance in Lottery funds (LOT) is \$48,964.28 for a total in SAC of \$243,164.14.

**Principal's Comments**

Mr. Shelnutt thanked the members of SAC for all they do to help GHS. We have had a strong start to the school year; progress reports went home last week and there are 2 weeks left until the end of the first 9-weeks. Upcoming events include 'National Custodial Day' tomorrow. We will provide food to our custodians, he called them our unsung heroes who work very hard. The ACT scheduled also for tomorrow has been rescheduled to next week on 10/16. We have our first Pep Rally this Friday and the Buchholz football game Friday night. Homecoming is the week of 10/15 – 10/18. The Class of 1988 will hold their reunion on 10/20. Mr. Shelnutt will greet members of the class on campus, take them

for a tour and give them updates on our school. The Flu Mist will be administered on campus on November 13.

### **School Improvement Plan**

Mr. Shelnett handed out his Proposed Goals for the 2018-19 School Improvement Plan. He briefly went over each of the 6 items.

1) Safety

All teachers have had almost 4 hours of training.

Students received ALICE training in the beginning of the school year.

Administrators/Leadership team meets monthly.

Anonymous tip line.

Students have access to mental health counselors. Guidance counselors have gone into classes to give students information on how to access help.

SRO's are proactive, going into students homes.

SGA great about putting up flyers, i.e., suicide prevention, dating violence, etc.

Club representatives pass information on to students in 1<sup>st</sup> period from monthly House meeting.

2) Increased instructional quality

Professional Learning Communities.

River Phoenix Restorative Justice and AVID presentations at Faculty meeting.

3) Graduation Rate

Last year rate has not come in yet – 16/17 school year rate was 90%.

Ultimate goal is 100%.

4) & 5) Standardized exams of lowest performing students and Algebra I EOC scores

Goal is to increase both 2%. Algebra I scores were the lowest percentage of all exams.

6) Referrals/Out of school suspensions

Goal is to decrease both referrals and suspensions by 5%.

As of 10/1/18 there have been 26 out of school suspensions.

Significantly lower last year than the previous year. (334 in 16/17, 305 in 17/18)

Working with students in different ways to prevent issues from arising.

Gang activity, while down, is still an issue. Better alternatives to gangs need to be provided for students.

### **Financial Requests**

Keith Watts read a letter to SAC from Steve Bauer asking for funding for weightlifting bars and bumpers. Coach Bauer explained the entire weight room was renovated a few years ago and the bars purchased only had a 2-year warranty. He presented 3 quotes, with the recommendation that we

purchase the bars with the life-time warranty. He also noted that the weight room and equipment is not only used by the weightlifting teams but by all P.E. classes and all sports teams. Mark Rush made the motion to approve a total not to exceed \$2,760 to cover the purchase of life-time power bars, rubber bumpers, bands, clamps and collars for the weight room, Florida Bridgewater-Alford seconded the motion and the motion was approved. **Not to exceed \$2,760.00**

### **SAC Concerns/Comments**

Dr. Rush asked about the plaque we agreed to purchase at the last meeting for Janine Plavac. Katie Rohan said it should be ready before the next meeting and it was agreed we would invite Janine to the meeting and present it to her.

Lisa McLeod thanked SAC for approving the funding for the AVID tutors. She will be attending another AVID training this Thursday and Friday. Mr. Shelnutt mentioned that Elicia Mosely from the district Equity Office has been a tremendous resource.

Our next meeting is scheduled for Monday, November 5<sup>th</sup>.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:25pm.